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ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 15, 2007, Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account in the amount of \$60.00 as required for the filing of this extension request. Also, if there are any additional fees due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account for those additional fees or credit the account for any overpayments regarding this extension request.

Respectfully submitted,

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